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Please cancel claims 13 and ²³~~16~~ without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please amend the claims as follows:

Sub B1 1. (Amended) A method of making operational measurements in a wireless communication system, comprising:

a) sending a measurement request from a first base station to at least a second base station, said measurement request requesting said second base station to instruct mobile terminals in communication with said second base station to make operation measurements of at least one signal transmitted by said first base station;

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cond* b) transmitting a measurement instruction from said second base station to said mobile terminals in communication with said second base station in response to said measurement request, said measurement instruction instructing said mobile terminals in communication with said second first base station to make operational measurements of said signal transmitted first base station; and

c) receiving results of said operational measurements at said second base station from said mobile terminals in communication with said second base station.

2. (Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

d) sending said received results to a main controller.

3. (Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

d) processing said received results; and

e) sending said processed received results to a main controller.

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cond* *Sub B1* 14. (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein said step a) sends a measurement request from said first base station to said second base station via a main controller, said measurement request instructing said main controller to send said measurement request to said second base station.

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16. (Amended) A method of making operational measurements in a wireless communication system, comprising:

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- a) sending a measurement request from a first base station to at least a second base station, said measurement request requesting said second base station to make operation measurements of at least one signal transmitted by said first base station; and
 - b) making said operational measurements at said second base station.

17. (Amended) The method of claim 16, further comprising:

- c) sending said received results to a main controller.

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24. (Amended) The method of claim 16, wherein said step a) sends said measurement request from said first base station to said second base station via a main controller, said measurement request instructing said main controller to send said measurement request to said second base station.